

## RANDLETT IS EXONERATED

Investigation Into the Indian Agent's Act Is Thorough.

CHARGES ARE DISPROVED

Lone Wolf Swore to Matters He Did Not Know.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Indian Agent Randlett, in charge of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache agency in Oklahoma, and Indian Inspector Neider are completely exonerated by Francis E. Leupp in his report on the investigation of charges against those officials by dissatisfied Indians who alleged among other things, that allotments were made to dead Indians and white men.

The report says that not a single charge of wrong doing was sustained by the evidence against either official and that the nearest approach to a proved case is a general complaint that Randlett has an unkindly temper. Mr. Leupp says against Randlett is one of the best agents in the service. Two cases of arbitrary allotments were found, one being a double allotment, and the two cases were looked into by the allotment commission. The arbitrary allotments, investigation showed had not been concealed from the interior department. The allotting agent already had called attention to one of the double allotments, while the other discoveries were made by careful examination at the "pay table." Two other cases were discovered on the Wichita reservation and laid before the grand jury. As to Lone Wolf, the report says, the conclusion is inevitable that he had been victimized into swearing to a statement of alleged facts of which he has neither knowledge nor intelligent opinion.

### FEVER INFECTED CATTLE.

Osaage Indian Council Would Bar Cattle From Infected Districts.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 15.—The Osaage Indian council, at its last meeting, adopted a resolution against the introduction of cattle from fever infected areas into the Osaage pastures, where the present losses are not small. One of the most bitter contests in the last Oklahoma legislature was to defeat legislation intended to place the Osaage country above the quarantine line. Governor Ferguson said today that he would do his utmost to prevent the introduction of southern cattle into the Ponca and Osaage pastures upon the expiration of the lease next year.

### LAMONT IS WINNER.

Defeats Pond Creek in the Championship Game.

Lamont, O. T., Dec. 15.—The championship of Grant county in the game of football was decided at a tussle here today between Lamont and Pond Creek. Lamont won with the remarkable score of 35 to 0. McClure, half back for Lamont, made five touchdowns and added essentially to home victory.

### HASTINGS GETS ACADEMY.

Telegram Comes Announcing the Happy Consumption.

Hastings, O. T., Dec. 15.—During the past few weeks the citizens of Hastings have been putting forth every effort in their power to secure the Southwest Academy for Hastings, says the News.

Last Saturday a committee of ministers arrived in Hastings for two purposes, viz: First, to dedicate the First Congregational church of Hastings to the Lord's service; second, to select a site and locate the Southwest College. Saturday night they were given a reception at the church, and Attorney L. A. Williams delivered the address of welcome. The meeting was then open for general making and every one soon became enthusiastic on the college question and a talk on any other subject was not to be introduced at any time during the progress of the meeting. Superintendent House of Kingsbury college and Sunday School Superintendent C. G. Murphy each delivered splendid addresses but the audience could not let the meeting close until Evangelist L. B. Parker made his appearance on the rostrum and gave out the statement that Hastings had scored nine points in the contest for the Southwest academy and that the tenth point would be easily gained. This revelation was greeted with applause. Early Monday morning the committee of eminent divines were placed under the heavy pressure of argument for Hastings, but unmoved from their stand for fairness between the contestants. At ten o'clock no word came from Ft. Cobb and another attempt was made to clinch the institution but the committee stood firm. He finally stated that it would report from Addington in favor of Hastings. If no better offer was received when they reached that place. The committee was taken to Addington and soon the telegram came that Hastings was the chosen location.

### RICH MEN ARE NOT ALL HAPPY.

Croesus, King of Lydia, Had Troubles of His Own, and There Are Others.

Croesus, the son of Sargis, the king of Lydia, was very well-to-do in worldly goods and chattels. "As rich as Croesus" is a saying about 2,500 years old. He had his troubles, however, and some of them were full grown. He was taken captive once by Cyrus and only saved himself from being burned alive by quoting a saying from Solon, the Sage. He finally had to flee his kingdom for parts unknown.

Many of the rich man's troubles today come from high living and could be avoided. They are brought on by eating all kinds of rich, heavy foods at irregular times, lack of proper exercise, undue mental strain, unusual stimulants, etc., and are commonly known as indigestion, dyspepsia and weak stomach. They are serious troubles all right, but not only can they be avoided but can also be cured, and that without loss of time or proper food and nourishment.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the certain relief of dyspepsia, rich and poor alike. There is no such thing as stopping their onward progress now. A great nation has placed its stamp of approval upon their noble work. The thousands and thousands of cures they have effected, and the happiness resulting therefrom have made their name a household word throughout the land.

The story of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets can be told in a word. They actually do the work that the weak and wasted stomach is unable to do and allow it to recuperate and regain its strength. They contain all the essential properties that the gastric juice and other digestive fluids do, and they digest the food just as a sound and well stomach would. They relieve the stomach just as one rested and refreshed workman relieves the one on duty that is tired and worn, and Nature does her own work of restoration. It is a simple, natural process that a child can understand. You can eat all you want without fear of results. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 60 cents a box. Druggists all know better than to try to get along without them, as the demand for them is great and universal.

## THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT



To Prove what Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney Remedy, will do for YOU, every Reader of the "Eagle" May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Weak and unhealthy kidneys are responsible for more sickness and suffering than any other disease, therefore, when through neglect or other causes, kidney trouble is permitted to continue, fatal results are sure to follow.

Your other organs may need attention—but your kidneys most, because they do most and need attention first.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because as soon as your kidneys begin to get better they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

The mild and immediate effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. Swamp-Root will set your whole system right, and the best proof of this is a trial.

"I am 18th St., New York City, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1903. 'Dear Sir: I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand: my former strength and power had left me. I could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was giving out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, and would not have paid any attention to it, had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine, asserting that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am 70 years and 4 months old, and with a good conscience I can recommend Swamp-Root to all sufferers from kidney troubles. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for four different kidney diseases, with the same good results. With many thanks to you, I remain, very truly yours, 'ROBERT BERNER.'"

You may have a sample bottle of this famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, postpaid, by which you may test its virtues for such disorders as kidney, bladder and uric acid diseases.

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### HE STRUCK OIL.

Farmer Dug His Well Deeper and Oil Oozed Out.

Shawnee, O. T., Dec. 15.—J. H. Beach, a farmer, living one and one-half miles south of Wannette, decided the other day to clean out his well as it did not afford sufficient water for his present needs. After drawing out the water he went down and began digging, but he did not dig far until he struck a ledge of shelly rock, and after going through for some time he struck a small fissure in the rock from which a dark oily substance began bubbling out of a small crevice. As the opening was very small, only a drop at a time could get out.

It is the supposition that the volcanic eruption that produced the hill left an opening running down hundreds of feet into the earth and that the oil followed this opening upward to the end of the fissure.

There is on the quarter owned by Mr. Beach the highest hill along the South Canadian river, upon which may be seen several kinds of rocks, some looking like iron ore, and others showing traces of copper and silver.

### NEGROES ARE COMPLAINING.

Do Not Have a Fair Show With the Whites, They Assert.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 15.—Storytellers call his attention to the fact that in Pottawatomie and several of the newer counties the negroes have not the privilege of the use of the public schools. The letter states that the colored children are not allowed to attend the schools with the whites, yet the county commissioners have made no provision for exclusive colored schools.

The full text of the letter follows: Hon. L. W. Baxter, Dear Sir:—Prof. William Soler made the following representation at the meeting of the colored teachers of Oklahoma City last December: That there are twenty-seven school districts in Pottawatomie county having in

## MONUMENT TO CAPT. PAYNE

Movement Has Gained Headway for That Object.

ORGANIZATION IS FORMED

Officers Elected and Preliminaries Are Arranged.

Blackwell, O. T., Dec. 15.—The movement, several times attempted, was placed permanently on foot during the past week to erect a monument to the memory of Capt. David L. Payne, the original Oklahoman, the man who did more than all other men combined to force the opening of "old" Oklahoma to settlement in 1890. This movement was finally and effectually organized at Braham, in northern Oklahoma, where last week the Payne Memorial association was formed, officers elected and the preliminary arrangements made for the erection of the monument.

To Payne do the 70,000 people of Oklahoma owe their homes and all blessings which they are now enjoying, for it was under the leadership of that indefatigable boomer that the attention of the country was first turned to "the land of the fair god." Payne, the soldier and statesman, led seven bands of boomers into Oklahoma prior to the opening, only to be driven out and dispossessed of their claims by United States soldiers. He it was that discovered the truth that the land in Oklahoma was public domain, subject to entry under the homestead laws of the United States, and he continued his agitation for the rights of the people who wished to settle in the territory, fighting, physically and mentally, finally getting the matter into the courts and winning a victory for the cause and settling the land before Judge Foster of the United States court, just seventeen days before Payne's sudden death, on November 23, at Wellington, Kan., from heart failure.

Throughout this territory Payne is lovingly referred to as the "Father of Oklahoma." He was a native of Indiana, born at Fairmount, that state, in 1836. He came to Kansas when still young and was twice elected to the legislature of that state from Doniphan county. He moved to Sedgewick county in the early '70s, a familiar figure on the streets of Wichita, which city he made the base of his operations in his efforts to secure the opening of new country.

The pathetic side of the struggle was the sudden death of Captain Payne at Wellington just as he had reached the point where he could view the land of promise. His every contention had been vindicated by the United States courts, and it only remained for congressional action to open the country, and this action was even then assured.

The press of the entire country was congratulating the leader of the boomers upon his success, and he himself had decided to await favorable action by the departments, which he knew must soon come, before he attempted to make a permanent home for himself. On November 23, 1894, while at breakfast in the Barnard hotel at Wellington, Captain Payne was seized with an attack of heart failure and expired before medical aid could reach him. It has since become known, according to Capt. Frank McCammon of Guthrie, who was one of Payne's original boomers, that the day of his death Payne was on route to the home of a friend, where he was to have been married to a woman who had been his lifelong sweetheart and aid and a companion in his work to secure the opening of Oklahoma.

Oklahoma today, with 70,000 people, making a fight for statehood in the national congress, is a monument to the worth and ability of Capt. David L. Payne. Many attempts have been made to have the remains of the original boomer moved to Oklahoma, that they might rest in the soil of the land that he loved and created as a territory, but thus far these attempts have proved futile; owing to the cost of the removal, the remains of Payne objects to them being removed. But all Oklahomans hope that some future attempt may prove successful.

### COLORED TEACHERS TO MEET.

Program for Their Annual Gathering Has Been Prepared.

Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 15.—The colored teachers of Oklahoma will hold their sixth annual meeting at Guthrie on the 20th and 21st of this month. They have just issued their program, which is as follows: TUESDAY, DEC. 20, 9 A. M. Piano Solo—Mrs. Amy Scales, Guthrie. Invocation—Rev. S. S. Jones, Chorus—Logan County High School. Welcome Address—Mr. Miles Cushman, Guthrie. Address—Mrs. A. B. Lowry, Shawnee. Piano Solo—Mrs. A. T. Ayers, Langston. Paper—Ends in Teaching. Discussion—Miss Fannie L. Barber, Weatherford. Address—Mrs. Grace Fullbright, Miss Emerson. Appointment of Committees. Adjournment.

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Invocation—Rev. H. H. Guthrie

Moral Training in the Public Schools

Discussion—Miss Fay Welch, El Reno

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Chorus—Douglas School, Guthrie

Paper—The Silent Forces of Teacher

Schools—Miss Bertha Richardson

Discussion—Mr. Wm. Henderson, Guthrie

Address—Mrs. W. E. Murdock, Oklahoma City

Paper—Do We Overestimate the Value of Good Literature?—Mr. W. E. Guy

Discussion—Miss Janie Hood, Earlboro, Mr. F. F. Bailey, Hennessey

Vocal Solo—Mr. A. J. Seales

Paper—Good Manners in the Public Schools—Miss Bertha Richardson

Discussion—Miss Aldine Dickson, McClut, Miss Jarvis, Fairles

Quartet, Longston University

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